TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS. Yesterday's bank clearings were: \$5.719,549, balances, \$1,33,734. Local discount rates were firm between \$5 and \$55 per cent. Domestic exchange was quotied as rates were firm however was quoted as cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York 20c, discount bld, 10c discount asked; Chicago, 20c discount bld, 10c discount asked; Chicago, 20c discount bld, 10c premium asked. Wheat closed lower, 75%c bld July; 85683%c. No 2 red. Corn closed lower at 56983%c. July; 65c. No 2 mixed ants closed at 24%c. July; 45c. The local market for spet coton was the higher.

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN. Beaf is cheaper at Union Market.

The Vacation Playground Committee appeals for funds to provide recreation for school children during the summer months. The question of compulsory vaccination a discussed at the first day's session of the Institute of Homeopathy.

Elisha Patterson Eliis, a pioneer Missourian, born in Fiorissant, dies near Ashland, Boone County, Mo.

James Stewart will take St. Louis en-gineers to London, England, where they will have important positions in connection with the construction of the great Mersey River tunnel.

Trust companies continue the fight for the Wiggins Ferry Company stock, and the price may go above 2000 a share.

The members of the Board of Health dethe members of the hoard of relating the clare the reports made by the Milk Inspector to be "incomprehensible."

The Paris representative of the World's Pair transmits copies of laws that have been enacted by France for a national exhibit in St. Louis.

GENERAL DOMESTIC.

It is stated at Columbia, Mo., that the State University has not asked Andrew Carnegle for a library gift, or any other kind of a gift. It is the Missouri Press Association that is seeking his aid for a library in connection with the Missouri Historical Society.

Mississippi. The acreage planted this year is 20 per cent greater than last year. Sinyvesant S. Fish, John Jacob Astor and other wealthy New Yorkers have purchased 10 000 acres of land in Mississippi and will ndeavor to convert the same into model

FOREIGN.

Members of the Marine Guard of the U. S. cruiser Chicago have been convicted at Venice, Italy, of disorderly conduct and have been sentenced to terms in prison. Major Waller and others testify at the court-martial trial of General Jacob H. Smith, telling the horrors of the war with the natives of Samar and the atrocities per

petrated by the Filipinos. The White Star steamship line's stock. It is stated in London, is to be exchanged for that of the new shipping combine, though it is not to be sold outright.

Revolt has again broken out in Santo comingo, the movement being led by the Vice President.

Marine Intelligence.

New York, April 28.—Arrived: Kaiserin Maria Theresa, from Genoa and Naples. Plymouth, April 23.—Arrived: Kalser Wil-helm der Grosse, from New York, Queenstown, April 28.—Arrived: Saxonia, from New York.

Moville, April 28.—Arrived: Carthagenian from New York.

New York, April 28.-Arrived: Koln, Bre-Cherbourg, April 27 .- Arrived: Friedrich

der Grosse, New York for Bremen. Sailed: Bremen (from Bremen), New York. Liverpool, April 27 .- Arrived: Cavic, New

Plymouth, April 28.—Salled: Patricla, from Hamburg, New York. Auckland, April 28.—Salled: Venturia from Sydney, New South Wales), San Francisco.

Bremen, April 28.-Arrived: Friedrich der Brosse, New York, via Cherbourg. Cherbourg, April 3.—Arrived: Kaiser Wil-helm der Grosse, New York, via Plymouth for Bremen and proceeded.

Gibraltar, April 28 .- Arrived: Steamer Aller, New York, for Naples and Genoa and

Brisbane, April 28.—Arrived: Steamer corangi, Vancouver, British Columbia, via Honolulu, for Sydney, New South Wales,

E. W. Grove. This name must appear on every box of the genuine Laxative Bramo-Quinine Tablets, the ramedy that cures a cold in one day. 25 cents.

ROYAL ARMS TORN FROM

DUBLIN MAYOR'S DOOR. \$ Dublin, April 28.-The royal arms 4 over the door of the Mayor's office . Mayor, Mr. Daly, wanted to remove . police have arrested . Councillor Joseph Ryan, a member . of the corporation, in connection with . the occurrence, which has caused •

Piles Cured Without the Knife. Itching, Blind, electing or Protruding Piles. Your druggist will refund your money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure you. 50 cents.

CHINAMAN MAY BE

DECLARED A SAINT. : Rome, April 28.-The claim for the . beatification of the Chinese Catholic convert, Joseph Khang, has been before the Congregation of Rites, under • the presidency of the Pope. The re- • sult is not announced, but if approved . Khang will be the first Chinaman to .

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it falls to cure E. W. Grove's signature is on each box, 25c.

Prohibition Ticket Named. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Paxton, Ill., April 28.—The Prohibitionists of Ford County to-day nominated the following of Ford County to-day nominated the following tleket: Sheriff, John Phillips; Treasurer, C. Jennings; County Clerk, Harry Huey; Coroner, T. P. Simpson. Delegates were selected to the State Convention at Peoria July 1. Peoria, July 1.

State Delegates Selected. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Virginia, Ill., April 28.—The Republican County Convention met in this city to-day, The following State delegates were chosen: W, H. Lightfoot, E. T. Hunter, B. M. Field-en, R. C. Taylor, H. M. Schmoldt. The na-tional and state administrations were heartily indorsed, as was also Charles Mar-tin for minority Representative to the Leg-islature.

Will Increase Bank Deposits. Wall increase Bank Deposits.

Washington, April 28.—Secretary Shaw said to-day that on May 1 he would increase the deposits in national bank depositories by \$3,000,000 or \$4,000,000. He also will designate a few additional depositories. It is understood that no further increase in deposits will be made after May 1, as the repeal of the war revenue is expected to result in a sharp decrease in the Government receipts from the beginning of the fiscal year, when the law will go into operation.



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Indigestion Dy spepsia,

PRICE FOR WIGGINS FERRY STOCK MAY GO ABOVE \$600.

Mercantile Trust and Mississippi Valley Trust Companies Each Strain Every Point to Gain Control of the Coveted Certificates - Offer of \$750 a Share Is Reported-Suit Filed to Enforce Agreement, and Legal Battle May Prolong the Fight.

WOMEN HOLD MUCH OF STOCK AND ARE HARD TO INFLUENCE.

In the determined effort to get control of the Wiggins Ferry Company stock, indica-tions are that the price will be pushed far above \$300. Offers of \$550, it is understood, official put it: have been quietly made. Owing to the fact that some of the stockholders are holding back for the highest bidder the negotiations for control are being delayed.

May 5 is the last day given by the Mercantile Trust Company to stockholders to come in under the bid of \$500. Tuesday night is the final time set for the Mississip-

pi Valley Trust Company clients. Owing to the injunction suit filed by the Mercantile Trust Company yesterday further time may be allowed on all sides. The officials of both trust companies are going on the theory that a final decision must be reached at once and are urging each stockholder to act immediately.

It is probable that never in the history of a St. Louis deal have the wires and telephones been used so freely, nor have carriages and automobiles played such an important and exciting part. Since last Thursday it has been a fight to close matters in haste, and, with the advent of the rival trust company this baste has been all the more feverish. Thousands of telegrams are being sent and received daily from the stockholders and others, and the answers are followed by a flood of other messages. The long-distance phones are being used from Maine to California. The boards of directors of both trust companies, their salesmen and their legal advisers, are not only devoting their time to the consummation of the deal, but they are putting every influence at work to induce the stockholders to part with their holdings. The stockholders, realizing that they will be the final gainers, are letting the trust companies outbid each other for the coveted certificates.

The Bone of Contention. The fight on the deal has narrowed down to a contention by the Mississippi Valley Company that the agreement of the Mercantile Company is faulty in that the stockholders in signing the clause reading "do sell" did not expressly convey their holdings, but merely gave a power of agency

which could be revoked. They concede that the Mercantile Trust Company has obtained 51 per cent of the stock, but hold that this agreement does not constitute a sale. Councel G. A. Finkeinburg, H. S. Priest and the regular attorneys of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company are working on the legal features Francis Enters the Field.

The arrival of Former Governor D. P. Francis from Charleston put a new Richnd into the field, and all day he was in mond into the field, and all day field as in-conference with different trust company di-rectors, although whether his business had to do with the ferry fight can only be con-jectured. The Governor was heard to re-mark laughingly to a friend in the Mercan-tile Trust Company building elevator: ought to have been here to get some ne commissions on stock that are being

of the commissions on stock that are ceing paid out in this deal."

In the offices of both the trust companies all-day receptions were held. At the Mercantile President Festus J. Wade and John Scullin were in charge directing operations. At the Mississippi Valley were Vice President Breckinridge Jones and Alonzo C. Church, who president of the ferry companies of the ferry companies and companies of the ferry companies of the ferry companies and companies of the ferry companies. Church, vice president of the ferry com-pany. With stenographers at their side they interviewed all incoming stockholders, gave them contracts to sign, and if accept-able paid checks on the spot for the stock. The Mercantile paid \$500 a share, while the

Mississippi Vailey paid \$600.

The heads of the rival interests were continually on the move, as they have been for several days. They rushed from one office building or bank to another, swered phone calls or called up parties b over the door of the Mayor's office

at Limerick disappeared last night.

The arms had been a "red rag" for
the Nationalists of late, and the

or of the Mayor's office

phone, dictated telegrams and letters and
kept squads of messengers on the alert.

Many women alighted from equipages to
go into consultations with the officials. The noves in this financial and terminal cam

paign were of absorbing interest.
"There is no change in the things," said President Scullin of the Wig gins Ferry Company, at 6 p. m., as he left the Mercantile Trust Company's office surrounded by secretaries.

"We are still doing business at the old and, and I do not think there has been any change in the way things stand. Stock-holders are signing up," said President

Wade.

The Mercantile Trust officials adhere rigidly to their statement that before the announcement was made that the deal had been consummated they had obtained control of the stock. This is admitted as being technically correct even by Mississippi Valley directors—so stockholders state—but they hold also that the agreement is in no sense a sale. Broker Gives His Opinion.

"If the case goes to the court," said a broker, "it will be clearly shown that the signatures are binding and the stock has been conveyed. At the same time there is a saving clause for the Mercantile company by which if it does not secure control of a majority of the stock the agreement lanses."

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Among the 51 per cent of signatures which it is conceded the Mercantile company has obtained, some are attached to telegrams and the point will doubtless arise whether these are valid in law. Some curiosity has been expressed on this question and last night the Mercantile company sent out-of-town stockholders the needed blanks, sp. that there will be no loophole to evade the agreement.

Vice President Church Talks.

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"I have made a million dollars for the stockholders in two days by holding out strongly against a sale for \$500," said Vice President Church of the ferry company, "and that is the only interest I have in the deal now. I expect to get more for the stock, as the interests who are buying seem determined to buy at any price. I have no idea who they are and have not inquired. The trust companies are acting as agents and that is all that is necessary at present. "Last Thursday afternoon President John Scullin stated to me in the presence of Vice President George L. Sands that he had just returned form New York with an offer of \$500 as share for Wiggins stock. He stated that he would like to call on my mother. Mrs. Marie F. Scanlan, that evening, and he did so, repeating the offer of \$500 and strongly advising her to sell. Mrs. Scanlan asked time to consider. Friday morning she received by mail one of the circulars, which all stockholders received, presumably, and in compliance with it my mother and her sister, Mrs. Foy, called at the Wiggins offices and found them full of stockholders. In the meantime I determined to see if I could not obtain a better offer for the stock, and the offer of \$1,000,000 was the result on Saturday. I suggested that a full meeting of the board be called by the president, and he declined to notify the stockholders.

Holding for Better Price.

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One of the stockholders, who believes a higher price will be reached than the figure quoted so far, is Henri De Penaloza, whose wife has a block of Wiggins stock. Count Penaloza was approached by representatives of both trust companies and asked to sign the agreement. He asked for a ten-minute option, as he wished to telephone his wife to learn her wishes in the matter. After a conference over the wires, he declined the proposition. Said he last night, when asked about the story:

"Yes, I was approached with an offer to buy, but I will not name the price. The stock is not for sale at the figures so far quoted, ag we believe a much higher bid will be made in the next few days."

Women Own Much Stock.

Women Own Much Stock. A peculiar feature in connection with the negotiations is that many of the largest blocks of stock are owned by women.

heirs of estates. As one trust company official put it:

"The difficulty in this whole deal has been in getting the women to make up their minds. In dealing with men we could have reached a speedy decision, but in nearly all cases the women asked for time to consider, interviewed their sons and relatives and the whole town knew of what was going on through indirect sources. They are cliderly women as a rule, and their caution is entirely praiseworthy, but it illustrates how much more difficult it is to transact business when women are parties to the negotiations."

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Among the holdings of women, Mrs. Marie F. Scanlan is supposed to have the largest block. Though it has been claimed that she has 2,500 shares, it is stated by a director of the Wiggins Company that her interest amounts to 1,400 shares. At the \$500 offer this would amount to \$500,000. Mrs. Peter L. Foy, Mrs. Thomas Dimmock, Mrs. Whitmore and Mrs. S. C. Clubb are other large holders.

Night Conference Held.

Last night Persident Wade, Judge Jacob Klein, President Scullin and several others conferred at the Mercantile Trust Company. The statement was reiterated that the Mercantile Company had over one-half of the stock. This much had been signed upon acreements. The status of affairs was reported as practically the same with the additional feature that litigation had been income the status of affairs was reported as practically the same with the additional feature that litigation had been income the status of affairs. inaugurated in the interest of an early set-tlement of the deal.

Suit in Circuit Court.

The Mercantile Trust Company instituted proceedings in the Circuit Court yesterday afternoon against the Wiggins Ferry Company, the Mississippl Valley Trust Company and the holders of 517 shares of stock in the Wiggins Ferry Company to enforce an alleged agreement of the stockholders to sell their stock to the Mercantile Trust Company and to restrain the transfer of the stock to the Mississippi Valley Trust Company.

pany.

The defendant stockholders are Lon K.

M. Whitmore, who, it is stated owns 26 shares; Charles Mullikin, 167 shares; A. W. Christy, 72 shares; Carolina G. Dimmock, 50 shares; Rosa Droster, 25 shares; Charles Thaw, 30 shares; Mary Archer O'Relly, 15 shares; Rosalla Drosten, 10 shares; Helen L. Bridge, and Sarah J. Anderson, 6 shares each; Rose Durkee, 3 shares; Charles C. Durkee, 2 shares, and Hudson Durkee, a minor, of whom Rose Durkee is guardian, 1 share.

It is alleged that on or about April 24, 1902, a proposition was made by the Mercantile Trust Company to stockholders of the Wiggins Ferry Company to purchase their stock for \$500 a share, to be delivered by May 5; that a majority of the stockholders, including the defendant stockholders, agreed to sell, but that the defendant stockholders refused to carry out the agreement. It is also averred that the Mississippi Valley Trust Company, knowing of the agreement, induced the defendant stockholders to deliver their stock to it, by offering a higher price; that the agreement with the Mississippi Valley Trust Company is about to be carried out, and that the stock is in the possession of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company. It is alleged that on or about April 24, 1902.

possession of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company. No notice of the suit was given the de-fendants for fear the purpose of the suit would be defeated, it was stated. A formal offer of the price of the stock is contained

offer of the price of the stock is contained in the petition.

It is alleged that the damage which would result by the nonfulfillment of the agreement cannot be calculated, as without the stock the plaintiff and the persons it represents would not have a controlling interest in the Wiggins Ferry Company.

Former Judge Jacob Klein of the firm of Klein & Hough, who filed the suit, presented the matter to Judge Ferriss of Division No. 6, who issued a temporary restraining order, and directed the defendants to show cause at 10 a. m. next Friday why a temporary injunction should not be issued. A bond of \$196,000 was required, which was given, with Festus J. Wade. Given Campbell, Paul Brown, James J. Butler, Jonathan Rice and John S. Sullivan as surreties.

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Judge Klein said last night that Julius S. Walsh, president of the Mississippi Valley Trust Company, and Philip C. Scanlan, secretary of the Wiggins Ferry Company, had been served with notice of the suit. This, he said, was sufficient for the purpose until to-day.

PLANS OF KRATZ'S ATTORNEYS. Change of Venue Will Be Asked If

Fugitive Is Returned.

Judge Thomas B. Harvey, attorney for Kratz, sald last night at the Southern Hotel that he could do nothing in regard the extradition proceedings.

"I have had no word from Kratz, nor from any of his family or friends here. I don't know that there is anything that I could do. Kratz should secure a competent legal adviser in Guadalajara, who would repre-sent him in court and demand that his rights as a citizen be respected. Merely as a matter of law, it seems to me that there is only one way for a court to decide—that is, to release the prisoner. The only law between nations are treaties. Kratz has violated no law of Mexico, and his alleged offense is not mentioned in the treaty. He certainly is entitled to the protection of

the Mexican law.
"The person of Kratz can be returned only by over-riding the law, and, to my nind, must be done outside of the Mexican courts, for a writ of habeas corpus cannot be recognized by those courts. President Diaz can order the police to take Kratz to the Mexican border and there place him in the hands of the United States authorities, but it will be accomplishing by fore what cannot be done under the law.
"If I am retained I will conduct the de-fense of Kratz, should he be returned. In

spite of the fact that his flight will be strong evidence against him, I think a good fight could be made, as there are several good legal points in favor of the defense. "The first step would be another applica-tion for a change of venue. There is additional ground to support a second such ap olication. The sensational report of the February Grand Jury condemning "bood-lers," the articles announcing the flight of Kratz, and editorials stating that his disappearance was tantamount to confession may well be considered to have prejudiced the community."

Two more days and the stock of the Cansas Pioneer Gold Shale Co. goes

Governor Savage Will Retire. Lincoln, Neb., April 28.—In a statement ssued to-night Governor Ezra P. Savage unced his withdrawal from the candi lacy for renomination. Since he pardoned former State Treasurer Bartley from the Penitentiary the Governor has been subected to much adverse criticism from mer of his party and Republican newspapers In his statement, however, he says he would pardon Bartley again under similar

Old Wells Homestead tract auction to-day at 10 a. m. on the premises,

Fought Duel With Coupling Pins.

Evansville, Ind., April 28.-Late this after noon Ira Granger and William Ligon, who had been trying for several weeks to get the same position in an ice facory, met in a railroad yard and fought a duel with railroad pins. Granger was struck over the skull and sustained fatal injuries. Ligon was arrested.

Aberdeen, S. D., April 28.—The Interstate Grain Palace Exposition building, together with two residence and large barns, were totally destroyed by fire early to-day. The heavy rains probably saved the business portion of the city from being swept by the flames. The financial loss is \$30,000.



Mrs. D. Arnold, President German Woman's Club, Grand Pacific Hotel, Los Angeles, Cal., Relieved of a Tumor by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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"As I have suffered no relapse since, and as I took no other medicine, I am sure that your Compound restored my health and I believe saved my life."-Mrs. D. Arnold.

\$5000 FORFEIT IF THE ABOVE LETTER IS NOT GENUINE. When women are troubled with irregular, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, leucorrhoea, displacement or ulceration of the womb, that bearing-down feeling, inflammation of the ovaries, backache, bloating (or flatulence), general debility, indigestion, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness, faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone," and "want-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues, and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles. Refuse to buy any other medicine, for you need the best.

STRATEGY MAY BE EMPLOYED TO SECURE KRATZ'S RETURN.

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"Well, he is a prisoner down there now and we are going to get him, that's all." Chief Desmond was equally positive he

would get the prisoner. "If he is not delivered to you, what will you do?" he was asked by a reporter, "Will you kidnap him?" The Chief's reply was that he would not

return to St. Louis until he had the pris-Kratz fled from St. Louis on April 4, jus four days before his case was called in Judge Ryan's court. His bond was declared forfeited, and proceedings to collect it are now under way. Kratz is charged with accepting a bribe of \$60,000 to use his

influence in the City Council in the passage of a franchise bill for the Suburban Raliroad. John K. Murrell, a member of the House of Delegates, who was indicted for a similar offense, skipped out while his trial was pending, and Kratz's bond was increased from \$5,000 to \$20,000. MAY HOLD KRATZ

EIGHT DAYS. Circuit Attorney Folk employed detectives to trace both men, and thousands of circu-lars bearing their pictures were sent broadcast. At midnight Saturday the news was received from Chief of Police Jose de Ja Anaya of Guadalajara stating that Kratz had been arrested there. Telegrams from the Chief indicate that he will do all he can to assist the local authorities. At present a charge of "violating police regulations" is placed against Kratz. This charge is equal to the "holdover" law, which gives local police the right to hold a prisoner twenty hours without bail. But in Mexico they

hold the prisoners eight days. Desmond and McGrath will arrive at the eight days are up. This will give them plenty of time to prefer a new charge and F. Edwards, cashler Bank of Commerce make such arrangements as are necessary. David and Harry Stahl, clothiers. Eighth The officers made preparations to be gone and Olive streets.

a month if it were necessary, but they do not expect such a stay probable. Chief Desmond expected when he left last night to return at the end of two weeks at the

Thomas B. Harvey, chief counsel for Kratz, called at the Four Courts yesterday. He said he was not surprised to hear of Kratz's arrest, but neither did he look

"I have not heard from Kratz since he disappeared and had no idea where he was in hiding. No one has spoken to me about the case—that is, none of his friends—and of course. I shall not have anything to do with preventing the authorities from bringing him back. If he needs counsel to help him down there he will have to employ lo-

cal attorneys."
INDEMNITY NOTES NOT IMPOUNDED.

Judge Ryan yesterday decided that he would not impound the notes held by Charles Gutke to secure Gottlieb Evermani for the forfelture of Charles Kratz's bond of \$20,000. Circuit Attorney Folk wanted them held by the court as evidence agains Kratz to show that he intended flight as ar admission of guilt.

The court held that a bondsman had the

have them locked up in the Clerk's office. The motion to quash in the case of Julius Lehmann was overruled by Judge Ryan and the case will be tried in its regula The case of Harry Faulkner, who is charged with perjury, was on the docket in

right to be secured from loss in the event

of his client's forfeiture and refused to

Judge Ryan's court yesterday, but it went over by agreement to May 5. The Grand Jury was in sers ing on the bribery investigation. Among them were John H. Blessing, the broker Anthony Kolin, clothier at No. 206 North Broadway: Alfred Matthews, the hatter Thomas Wright, cigar dealer, Eighth and Olive streets; William B. Thompson, at-Guadalajara nearly thirty-six hours before torney; Eugene Sweeney, promotor; Taylor Downs, contractor; Edgar A. Mepham, Ber

GOVERNMENT DECLINES TO ASK MEXICO TO DELIVER KRATZ.

The Republic Bureau,
I4th St. and Pennsylvania Ave.
Weshington, April 28.—As indicated in hese dispatches Sunday night, the State Department to-day declined to ask for the extradition of Charles Kratz, the fugitive St. Louis City Councilman, who was indicted for accepting a bribe and then fled to Mexico, where he has been apprehended. This ends the matter so far as the Washington authorities are concerned. No further action will be taken by the State or other Federal departments. This declina tion is final. It is based on the fact that bribery is not an extraditable offense under the provisions of the treaty with Mexico, and, further, because a statute of Mexico

expressly prohibits extradition in such a ed May 19, 1897, and prescribes that "no extradition shall take place without the authority of treaty, unless the Government demanding it shall promise strict reciproclty and full compliance with other requirements contained in this law."

By an unbroken line of decisions of reent years, the State Department has held that "the United States Government has no authority, either by treaty or under existing laws, to grant such reciprocity." Its miform practice has been to refuse extradition of fugitives arrested in the United States for offenses not included in the treaty with the Government requesting it. and because of this practice it has in turn declined uniformly to ask for extradition in corresponding cases.

GOVERNOR SENT URGENT REQUEST.

This morning Secretary Hay received a elegram from Governor Dockery, reciting he offense and flight of Kratz, and urgently asking that the Government request of Mexico his return to the jurisdiction of the United States. Senator Cockrell also received a telgram from Governor Dockery to the same effect, and also a dispatch fro J. W. Folk, Circuit Attorney for St. Louis, making a very earest appeal for the inter vention of the Federal authorities in the

Senator Cockrell at once called on th Secretary of State, Mr. Hay, and the Solicthe department, Judge Penfield, who has immediate charge of extradition matters. The Senator explained the Krati case and added his request to the appeals nade by Governor Deckery and Mr. Folk. After a conference between Secretary Hay and Judge Penfield it was decided that this and Judge Penfield it was decided that this has been strongly disapproved by the courts is not a case in which the Government can and sometimes has led to serious internalegally ask for extradition. A telegram was tional disputes. sent later in the day to Governor Dockery. In short, the courts of the restating the department's conclusions, and a countries are very jealous of their j

message to Senator Cockrell at the Capitol. Upon its receipt he wired Mr. Folk the facts, as stated.

In Mexico a legal writ, called "impero" corresponds closely with that of habeas corpus in this country. It is said to be the custom of fugitives arrested for non extraditable offenses to sue for hearing un-der this writ, and when brought into court the Judge usually takes cognizance of the statute of May, 1897, quoted above, and orders the prisoner's release. TREATY MIGHT

BE DISREGARDED.

If Kratz should consent to return to the United States or should be brought there by the State officers, in any manner not rovided by the treaty, it is said that he yould have no legal means of correcting this informality, but could be placed or trial for the offense charged, precisely as f arrested within the United States. The State Department, however, cannot intervene, and, as stated, has decided upon its position finally.

Supplemental treaties are made from time to time by the various Powers to include offenses which, it is mutually agreed, should be made extraditable. An agreenent of this kind was reached with Great Britain and proclaimed in April, 1901, to add to the extraditable offenses: First, obtaining money, valuable securities or other property by false pretenses; second willful and unlawful obstruction of railroads which endangers human life; third, procuring abortion "

The administration of President Diaz has been so progressive and efficient, it is be-lieved there would be little difficulty in se-curing an amendment of the Mexican treaty o include bribery, and it might be well for the St. Louis officials to take the matter up for consideration of the State Depart

ficially to the authorities at Washington provision might be made to cover the cases of future fugitives even if Kratz cannot be rought within its scope.

The telegram from Attorney Folk cited he case of Boss Tweed, who dered by Spain at President Grant's request for a crime not named in the extradition treaty. The State Department did not seen to think this a convincing argument. Tweed matter was one of the very rare ases where such extradition has asked by the Government, and it is said that in every instance where action of this kind has been taken by the Government it

In short, the courts of the respective

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Our showing of Imported Costumes for this "event" in the world of fashion begins to-day. The collections include beautiful gowns in

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tion and powers and do not take kindly to TIME OF KRATZ'S ARREST. executive interference, excepting where the treaty law clearly provides for govern- Joseph Schnaider Says He Wa tal action. The getting of Kratz back to the- United States, therefore, is problem for the St. Louis and Missouri of

ficials to solve. The telegram from Circuit Attorney Folk to-day requested Senator Cockrell to see President Roosevelt, if necessary, as well as the Secretary of State. After his interview with the State Department officials and upon the receipt of its decision in the matter, Senator Cockrell said to The Re

"It seems clear that this is not a case the Washington auhtorities can intervene for the reason that the Mexican statute prohibits extradition of such prisoner, excepting where strict reciprocity is promised; and it has been decided, time and again, that this Government cannot promise such reciprocity."

The Senator wired Mr. Folk, quoting the Mexican statute, and explaining the dificulties in the case. He felt much interest in the matter, but said it was not one which was promising of quick and satisfactory action in Washington. He did not see the President to-day after his interview at the State Department, but will take any further action possible to assist in bringing Kratz to justice.

OTTAWA, ONTARIO-The Dominion Government has under consideration a reducernment has under consideration a reduc-tion of the royalty on Yukon gold from 5 per cent to either 3 per cent or 2½ per cent.

Apprehended Thursday. Joseph Schnalder, who was formerly the proprietor of the brewery at Chouteau and

dississippi avenues and who now owns a

brewery at Guadalajara, Mexico, where the arrest of Charles Kratz took place, was probably the first St. Louis man to hear of the ex-Councilman's apprehension.

Walter Hetzel, who was at one time connected with the Haeussier-Broadhead law firm in this city, brought the news to be a Antonio, Tex., directly from Guadalajars, where Hetzel is now in business. Hetzel, who was in San Antonio on Saturday, mid

who was in San Antonio on Saturday, and that the arrest had taken place on Thursday, April 24, and not on Saturday, as telegrams which have now reached this city would indicate.

"I did not see Kratz, as I was not in Guadalajara at the reported time of the arrest. When I met Hetzel he told me of the arrest, and said that he had seen Katz, but told me the arrest took place on April 24."

To-day at 10 a. m. the auction sale of the Old Wells Homestead tract commences, on

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